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Reconsideration of the application in view of the above amendments and following remarks is respectfully requested. Claims 1, 8, 15, 17, 18, 25, 27, 28, 35 and 41 are currently being amended, claims 2, 9, 16 and 26 are currently being canceled without prejudice, and no claims are currently being added. Therefore, claims 1, 3-8, 10-15, 17-25 and 27-45 are pending in the application.

Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement

Applicants are submitting another Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) for this application under separate cover. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider, initial, and return a copy of the PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B to Applicants.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's indication that claims 1-45 are allowed if the Section 112 rejection is overcome.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112

The Examiner rejected claims 1-45 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as allegedly being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Applicants respectfully traverse these rejections.

Specifically, the Examiner asserts that in independent claims 1, 8, 15, 25, 35 and 41 the phrase "wherein an RF transceiver for generating the RF signal is active during the active mode and transmitting" is not clear. The Examiner asserts that what information is transmitted by the RF

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transceiver should be defined.

In an effort to advance this case to allowance, Applicants have amended independent claims 1, 8, 15, 25, 35 and 41 in the manner suggested by the Examiner to recite transmitting "control and status information". This amendment is clearly supported by Applicants' specification in numerous places. Because this was the language suggested by the Examiner, Applicants assert that this rejection has been overcome and should be withdrawn.

Dependent claims 2, 9, 16 and 26 have been canceled without prejudice for consistency, and dependent claims 17, 18, 27 and 28 have been amended for consistency.

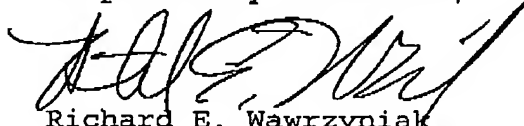
Fees Believed to be Due

No extra claims fees are believed to be due.

C O N C L U S I O N

Should there be any outstanding issues that require adverse action with respect to this amendment, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone Richard E. Wawrzyniak at (858)552-1311 so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully submitted,


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